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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 10 - 24 are presented for examination.

Election/Restrictions

- 2. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:
 - I. Claims 10 12, drawn to bridges/Brouters, classified in class 370, subclass 911.
 - II. Claims 13 15, drawn to Network configuring, classified in class 709, subclass220.
 - III. Claims 16 20, drawn to Computer-to-Computer data modifying, classified in class 709, subclass 246.
 - IV. Claims 21 and 22, drawn to Event handling, classified in class 709, subclass 318.
 - V. Claim 23, drawn to Protocol Implementation, classified in class 709, subclass 230.
 - VI. Claim 24, drawn to Network managing/monitoring status, classified in class 345, subclass 736.
- Inventions I VI are related as subcombinations disclosed as usable together in a single combination. The subcombinations are distinct from each other if they are shown to be separately usable. In the instant case, invention I has separate utility such as network configuring, computer-to-computer data modifying, event handling, protocol implementation, network managing/monitoring status, particulars.
- 4. Invention II has separate utility such as computer-to-computer data modifying, event handling, protocol implementation, network managing/monitoring status, particulars.

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- 5. Invention III has separate utility such as event handling, protocol implementation, network managing/monitoring status, particulars.
- 6. Invention IV has separate utility such as protocol implementation, network managing/monitoring status, particulars.
- 7. Invention V has separate utility such as network managing/monitoring status, particulars. See MPEP § 806.05(d).
- 8. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
- 9. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and the search required for one group is not required for other groups, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
- 10. A telephone call was made to attorney John Wagner on March 12, 2003 to request an oral election to the above restriction requirement, but did not result in an election being made.
- Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).



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12. Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David E. England whose telephone number is 703-305-5333. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thur, 7:00-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David A. Wiley can be reached on 703-308-5221. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are none for regular communications and none for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is none.

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